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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

> Notice of Ex Parte Accelerating Wireless Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment, WT Docket No. 17-79; Accelerating Broadband Deployment, Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee, GN Docket No. 17-83; Accelerating Wireline Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment, WC Docket No. 17-84; Streamlining Deployment of Small Cell Infrastructure, WT Docket No. 16-421; Reassessment of Federal Communications Commission Radiofrequency Exposure Limits and

Policies, ET Docket No. 13-84

## Dear Secretary Dortch:

Re:

On June 28th, 2018, the undersigned and Joseph Van Eaton, in our roles as counsel to the Smart Communities and Special Districts Coalition ("Coalition") were joined by Coalition members Abigail Elias, Esq. (Ann Arbor, Michigan); Lynn Board, Esq. (Gaithersburg, Maryland) and Charles Small (Los Angeles, California), in a meeting with the following FCC Wireless Telecommunications Bureau staff members: Jonathan Campbell, Garnet Hanly, Elizabeth McIntyre, Jiaming Shang, Patrick Sun, Suzanne Tetreault, Colin Williams, and Joseph Wyer. Joining the meeting via conference call were Adam Copeland, Stacy Ferraro, and David Sieradzki of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

At the request of the Bureau, the Coalition sought to offer insights into:

- Understanding the permitting process and by implication the need for workable shot clocks;
- An explanation and breadth of the costs associated with permitting small cells in the rights of way, and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Abigail Elias participated by via conference call.



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• The basis for compensation for use of a local community's real estate assets to deploy small cells within the community.

We also addressed barriers to small cell deployments that should be considered by the Commission including the need to updates RF standards and appreciate the retarding factor of the automatic growth patterns of small cells in the rights-of-way pursuant to Section 6409 (47 C.F.R. 1.40001).

Charles Small of the City Los Angeles explained the recent small cell agreement entered into by the City with Verizon and the need for any FCC action to protect such creative solutions that lead to the expedited deployment of small cells in exchange for "smart community" services being made available to the community.

All statements and explanations by the members were consistent with the following filings of the Coalition:

- Comments of Smart Communities and Special Districts in Wireline Docket
- Comments of Smart Communities and Special Districts in Wireless Docket
- Engineering, Economic and Real Estate Valuation Research Papers
- Smart Community Reply Comments in WTB 17-79 & WC 17-84

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, a copy of this letter is being electronically submitted in the record of these proceedings and provided to the Bureau participants.



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Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions

Respectfully submitted,

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